

**REMARKS**

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application. No claims have been amended. The Office Action states that claim 1-4, 6-8, 11-17, 20-23 and 25-27 are allowed. Each of the rejected claims, claims 34 – 38, have now been cancelled. Therefore, Applicants respectfully submit that the present application is in condition to proceed to issuance.

**Rejections under 35 U.S.C. §103**

Claims 34 – 38 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103(a) as being unpatentable over Hahn, *et al.*, U. S. Patent No. 5,751,287 (“Hahn”) in view of Straub, *et al.*, U.S. Patent No. 5,905,492 (“Straub”) and further in of Gautestad, U.S. Patent No. 7,039,860 (“Gautestad”). Applicants have cancelled claims 34 – 38 in response to this rejection. Therefore, Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of the present rejection and submit that the remaining claims are in condition for allowance, as indicated by the Office Action.

**CONCLUSION**

Each of the pending claims, claim 1-4, 6-8, 11-17, 20-23 and 25-27, have now been allowed. If any issues remain which would prevent issuance of this application, the Examiner is urged to contact the undersigned prior to issuing a subsequent action. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional amount required, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 19-2112.

Respectfully submitted,

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